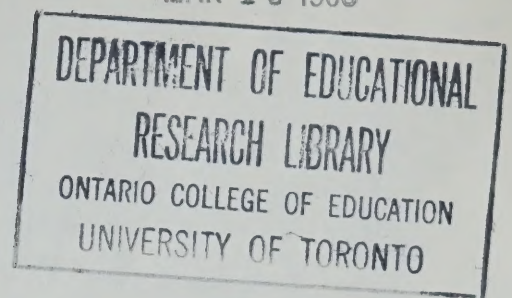


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MEMORANDUM TO SECONDARY SCHOOL AND PRIVATE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS
RE ADMISSION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PUPILS FROM OTHER PROVINCES

With particular reference to Grades 11 and 12

The following information, similar to that given in Memorandum 1954-55:5, is provided to assist principals when admitting pupils from other provinces.

A. General Statements

1. Pupils from other provinces will be admitted to Grade 9 in the secondary schools as provided in Section 67 of The Secondary Schools and Boards of Education Act, subsection (2):

"An applicant who has not been promoted from Grade 8 to Grade 9 in the manner prescribed by the regulations shall be admitted to Grade 9 if the principal has satisfied himself that the applicant is competent to undertake the work of that grade."

2. In the case of an applicant for admission to Grade 10, 11, 12, or 13 the secondary school principal, in the light of the information given below, admits him to the proper grade. Note that it is not necessary for the principal to obtain the Minister's approval (Section 67, subsections (3) and (4), of The Secondary Schools and Boards of Education Act).

3. The Ontario Secondary School Graduation Diploma can be granted only where the candidate completes successfully at least the Grade 12 portion of the Grades 11 and 12 course at an Ontario secondary school or an inspected private school as a regular or a private-study candidate and obtains Ontario Grade 12 standing in every subject required for the diploma, except as noted below.

NOTE 1. If in the opinion of the principal the candidate holds equivalent standing from another province in History (an obligatory subject in Ontario) or in one of the Parts of the subject comparable to that prescribed in Ontario, he need take only the ONE history subject which he needs (World History Part I or World History Part II in the case of the General Course) which is being taught in Grade 11 or Grade 12, to meet the history requirements for the diploma. The principal may take into consideration the fact that in some provinces one History is taken in Grade 10 and the other in Grade 11.

NOTE 2. The same ruling as in Note 1 may be applied to such optional subjects in the General Course as Mathematics (Geometry and Algebra), Science (Physics and Chemistry), Geography (Geography Part I and Geography Part II), and to the obligatory and optional subjects of the Vocational Courses where the subject is divided in Grades 11 and 12 and is not considered to be cumulative.

NOTE 3. A pupil may be admitted to Grade 12 in Ontario only in the same course (General, Commercial, Technical, Home Economics or Art) which he has taken in Grade 11 in his former school. If a pupil transferring to Ontario wishes to finish his instruction in another course, he may be accorded the same privileges of taking a special one-year course as are accorded to pupils enrolled in Ontario secondary schools.

B. Educational Standing recognized as equivalent to the Ontario Secondary School Graduation Diploma of the General Course

The standing shown below may be accepted as the equivalent of Ontario Grade 12 standing of the General Course. In this memorandum the term "equivalent standing" means "the equivalent of Ontario Grade 12 standing."

Alberta	Grade 11	New Brunswick	Grade 12
British Columbia	Grade 12	Newfoundland	Grade 11
Manitoba	Grade 11	Nova Scotia	Grade 11
Saskatchewan	Grade 11		
Prince Edward Island	Grade 12 or		
	First Class License or Second Year Certificate from Prince of Wales College.		
Quebec Protestant	High School Leaving (4th year High School or Grade 11).		
Quebec Catholic	Grade 11 or the first four years of a classical course.		

McGill University Junior Matriculation is also considered the equivalent of Ontario Grade 12 standing in the subjects concerned.

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C. Suggested Procedure

1. Case I.

If an applicant for admission claims to have full equivalent standing from another province,

- (a) the principal should satisfy himself, either by a close examination of the certificate presented, or by correspondence with the Registrar of the Department of Education of the other province, that such is the case;
- (b) the principal should obtain assurance from the Registrar of the Ontario university that the pupil hopes to enter, that his present standing meets the Grades 11 and 12 admission requirements for the course he wishes to follow;
- (c) if (a) and (b) present no difficulties, the pupil may be admitted to Grade 13.

If the pupil has not sufficient background in one or more subjects of Grade 13 which he finds it necessary to take, special arrangements should be made, if possible, for him to take some of the Grade 12 work in these subjects along with the work of Grade 13.

2. Case II.

If an applicant for admission claims to have equivalent standing from another province in some, but not all, of the subjects required for the Secondary School Graduation Diploma, as for example in English or French,

- (a) the principal should satisfy himself, either by close examination of the certificate presented or by correspondence with the Registrar of the Department of Education of the other province, regarding the subjects in which the pupil claims to have equivalent standing;
- (b) the principal may then admit the applicant to Grade 12 for the additional subject or subjects required for full Grade 12 standing.

Note that, since Departmental Certificates of Grade 12 standing are not issued in Ontario, this pupil, if he does not obtain Ontario Grade 12 standing in all of the Grade 12 portion of the Grades 11 and 12 course, will find it necessary to present to the Registrar of the Ontario university he wishes to enter

- (a) his equivalent certificate from another province in some subjects, and
- (b) a statement signed by the principal that he has obtained Ontario Grade 12 standing in the remaining subjects of Grade 12 required for admission.

The Registrar of the Ontario university which he wishes to enter should be asked early in the school year whether the documents in (a) and (b) will be accepted. If they are not acceptable, the pupil will have to obtain Ontario Grade 12 standing (or cover it by Grade 13 standing) in all subjects and thus become eligible for the Secondary School Graduation Diploma.

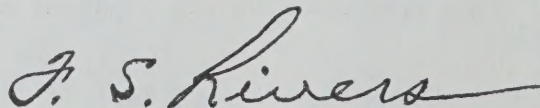
D. The Secondary School Honour Graduation Diploma

This diploma is granted to a candidate who

- (a) has attended one year in the day classes of Grade 13 in a secondary school of the Ontario provincial system, and
- (b) has obtained Ontario Grade 13 standing in English Composition and English Literature and in
 - (i) at least six additional papers chosen from the optional subjects, or
 - (ii) at least five additional papers chosen from the optional subjects where he holds Royal Conservatory of Music of Toronto certificates in Grade VIII Practical and Grade II Theory (or equivalent certificates) as set forth in Memorandum 1962-63:3.

Cases which present special difficulties should be referred to the Registrar of this Department.

This circular will not be issued each year but reference may be made to it from time to time in Departmental memoranda.



Chief Director of Education.

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